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To: Acosta, Gerardo [Acosta.Gerardo@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: We Care Sheet on MCN Processing Plant

Attachments: MCN Facility Information.docx; RE: Muscogee Creek Nation - Inquiry

Gerardo, please see the attached documentation for MCN Meat Processing Plant. Below is the main POC for information for the construction project, I have reached out to Tribe and informed Judith Ausmus, whom is the current acting Environmental Director as well. The Tribe is coordinating to provide additional information, email attached for your reference.

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Please see below additional information, if needed was obtained on MCN website National Council meeting summary and link to report.

Meat Processing Facility: DANR is excited about the opening of the Looped Square Meat Co. Groundbreaking took place on October 9, 2020, and construction is rapidly underway. All exterior walls are erected. The facility is located near the Duck Creek Community and will be a state-ofthe-art, USDA-inspected facility with retail space and many value-added capabilities. Beef and pork processing will be open to the public, and USDA inspection allows for the sale of product within and across state lines. The facility will handle deer processing as well in the fall of 2021. We will have the capacity to bring in primal cuts of bison, elk and other exotics in the future for retail sale. Equipment was ordered in Q1. The job posting for the Meat Processing Facility Manager is still open on the MCN employment website. https://www.mcn-nsn.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/FY-2021-1st-Quarterly-Report-Final.pdf

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Please see revised fact sheet and let me know any edits as soon as possible. Thank you,

Regards,

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My advice to you all would be to have the NPDES program ready to defend their "no permit is needed" if this should become an issue.

From: Gee, Randy < Gee.Randy@epa.gov > Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 11:11 AM

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Cc: Alvarado, Tina <<u>Alvarado, Tina@epa.gov</u>> **Subject:** We Care Sheet on MCN Processing Plant

Gerardo and Salina-please see the draft WE CARE sheet on the MCN meat processing plant, and fill in as needed. Please send the final sheet to Tina so she is in the loop. We should also share with 6WD when final.

Thanks,

Randy Gee

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